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## FOR CONGRESS

CAPT. JOHN LAMB.

3rd. Congressional District.

## STATE HOSPITAL REFORM.

The Gazette has studiously avoided taking any side or part in the investigation of the Eastern State Hospital. However, we have some opinions to express about state hospitals for the insane. These opinions are not offshoots of the late investigation but the result of mature thought after years of contact with an institution for the insane.

The Gazette would first suggest the appointment of a state board of charities, whose relations to the hospitals would be identical with those of the Corporation Commission to corporations. Of course this step would mean the abolishment of the office of Commissioner of Hospitals which is merely a sinecure. The board of charities would have complete control of hospitals for the insane, all boards of directors would be abolished and the officers would be elected by the board of charities. The institutions would be removed from the baneful influence of politicians and only men of merit appointed. This board would see that these officers performed every duty imposed upon them, that the patients were properly fed, clothed and treated, and that the institutions were conducted in a thoroughly up-to-date and business-like manner.

We contend that a physician in charge of a hospital for the insane has all he can do to look after the afflicted in his charge without troubling his mind and giving his valuable time to the purchase of beef, pork, flour and cabbage, to feed a multitude of mouths. He should have the care of the patients first in mind, and the treatment that would send them home cured. Why burden him with the engineering department, the plumbing, the lights, the farm, the care of the grounds and the dozens of other things we could mention? Therefore we would recommend the complete separation of the medical and executive departments. It seems to us that would be an easy matter.

The word "pay-patient" is an abomination. No such law should exist in Virginia. It is a disgrace to the state and should, and no doubt will be repealed by the next legislature.

The last proposition is the appropriation for the maintenance of the hospitals for the insane. Our legislatures seem to have vied with each other in keeping down hospital appropriations. In other states legislatures have tried to increase them. We are confronted with a problem that money can help materially to solve. Give hospitals for the insane ample funds, place a practical, sensible controlling body over them and we will have our unfortunates cared for as they should be.

When we place a controlling

body over them we mean no disrespect to any superintendent or board of directors in the state. We mean to say that boards of directors, who visit occasionally cannot, by the very nature of things know what is needed, and are often in error, honestly of course, but in error just the same.

We trust the press of the state will take this matter up seriously, not because The Gazette has mentioned it in this desultory way, but through the spirit of humanitarianism. We are all out of gear in the management and control of our hospitals for the insane.

The investigating committee, which is composed of sensible, practical men, must see the wisdom of our words, and in their recommendations to the legislature consider the argument set forth above. Let us get down to the real trouble in our state institutions for the insane and meet them.

Williamsburg is to have a handsome new passenger depot by next spring. Things will come our way if we just work for them. If the railroad company sees we are doing our part, they will do theirs. They did not wait for us to ask for a new depot, but come forward and offer it. For the people of Williamsburg, The Gazette thanks the Chesapeake & Ohio.

The county board of supervisors is to meet here next Monday night to consider the proposition of macadamizing the road to Jamestown. It is up to the city council and board of supervisors to haul the crushed stone from the station to the road, and lay the same in accordance with the instructions of the government engineer. In proportion to the benefits of the town and county the money required is a mere bagatelle.

The Sunday Charleston (W. Va.) News-Mail issued its first colored supplement last Sunday, and it is far ahead of anything we have yet seen in that line. Mr. Lightfoot Brooke, a former well-known student here, is the business manager of the News-Mail, and The Gazette congratulates him on the success of the News-Mail colored supplement, as well as that paper on having secured the services of so valuable a newspaper man as Mr. Brooke.

## How to Kill a Town.

The following is good for all of us to read:

A town that never has anything to do in a public way is on the way to the cemetery. Any citizen who will do nothing for the town is helping to dig the grave. A man that curses the town furnishes the coffin. The man who is so selfish as to have no time from his business to give to city affairs is making the shroud. The man who will not advertise is driving the hearse. The man who is always pulling back from public enterprise throws bouquets on the grave. The man who is so stingy as to be howling hard times, preaches the funeral, sings the doxology, and thus the town lies buried from all sorrow and care.—Fredericksburg Journal.

Are you Gazette subscriber?

## The Female Seminary.

The committee in charge of soliciting funds for the establishment of a female seminary here, has been encouraged this week by the liberal responses from our citizens. Being a college town, naturally the committee expects to have to do very little arguing to get the people to contribute. To show what the professors of William and Mary think of the proposition, we would say that nearly all have contributed liberally. Later the names of all contributors (not the amounts) will be published.

Only a few days more are left in which to further the cause. If you want to see a college for the education of girls located here, help by your cash. Give what you can. That is all that is asked.

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## October 8th and 9th

Free examination of the eyes by an expert optician from the well-known firm of

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J. H. STONE, Druggist.

## Williamsburg Church Directory.

## Presbyterian Church,

YORK RIVER.  
SUNDAY—Prayer Meeting.....11.30 A. M.  
SUNDAY—Prayer Meeting.....7.30 P. M.  
WILLIAMSBURG.  
SUNDAY—Sunday School.....9.45 A. M.  
SUNDAY—Prayer Meeting.....7.30 P. M.  
WEDNESDAY—Prayer Meeting.....7.30 P. M.  
REV. F. W. T. PITMAN, Pastor.

## Baptist Church.

SUNDAY—Prayer Meeting.....11.15 A. M.  
SUNDAY—Prayer Meeting.....7.30 P. M.  
WEDNES—Mid-week services 7.30 P. M.  
Ladies Aid Society every Monday at 4 P. M.  
Sunday School at 9.45 A. M.  
J. H. SEYMOUR, Supt.  
The public cordially invited to attend all these services.  
J. B. HARRELL, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.  
Sunday Services—Sunday School.....9.45 A. M.  
Prayer Meeting.....11 A. M. and 7.45 P. M.  
Young Men's League.....6.45 P. M.  
Wednesday—Prayer Meeting and Lecture.....7.30 P. M.  
Monday—Ladies Aid Society.....3.30 P. M.  
Monday—Willing Workers Society.....8 P. M.  
Welcome to all.  
Rev. Daniel T. Merritt, Pastor.

## Bruton Episcopal Church

Sunday—Prayer Meeting.....11 A. M.  
Sunday—Prayer Meeting.....8 A. M.  
Sunday School.....10 A. M.  
Thursday, lecture by Dr. Coffey 8 P. M.  
Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, Rector.

## NOTICE.

An adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Chesapeake Telephone and Telegraph Company will be held at Yorktown, Va., on Monday, Oct. 1st, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of (1) adjusting and disposing of certain claims against and owing to the company; (2) considering certain improvements and extensions of the company's lines; (3) the presentation for payment of stock on which no dividend from sale of line has been yet paid, and (4) transferring stock on the books of the company where desired.

A full attendance is requested.  
(Signed) GEO. L. SMITH,  
President.



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Bids, accompanied by certified check, must be made on blank forms furnished by the city, and must be in the hands of E. M. Lee, clerk of the council, before noon October 12th, 1906.

FULL PARTICULARS CAN BE HAD ON APPLICATION

L. W. LANE, SR.,

H. S. BIRD,

H. D. COLE,

Finance Committee of the City of Williamsburg.

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